

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
SHREVEPORT DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL NO. 19-0003 (01)

VERSUS

JUDGE DONALD E. WALTER

STEVEN DEWAYNE GILBERT

MAGISTRATE JUDGE HORNSBY

ORDER

Before the Court is a Motion for Out of Time Appeal filed by the Defendant, Steven Dewayne Gilbert. See Record Document 410.

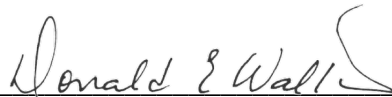
Upon due consideration, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that J. Dhu Thompson be allowed to enroll as counsel of record for Steven Dewayne Gilbert for the sole and limited purpose of filing the instant motion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant's motion is hereby **GRANTED**. The Court interprets Defendant's filing as a motion for an extension of time to file an appeal pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 4(b). To the extent there has been a delay in the filing of an appeal, the Court finds that excusable neglect exists due to miscommunication. See United States v. Golding, 739 F.2d 183 (5th Cir. 1984); United States v. Scott, 672 F.2d 454 (5th Cir. 1982).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Federal Public Defender is hereby appointed for Steven Dewayne Gilbert for any and all appeal purposes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that with the granting of this order J. Dhu Thompson is hereby relieved as counsel of record for the Steven Dewayne Gilbert.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED, this 27th day of July, 2020.



DONALD E. WALTER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE